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Chapter 4

Called to Love:

Paul's Second Missionary Journey (Part 2)

Goals

- Further explore Paul's second missionary journey, his ministry, and the opposition he faced.
- Experience Paul's speech in Athens and explore its theology.
- Explore parallels between first-century Corinth and twenty-first-century America.
- Expand understandings of life and ministry in the early church through an exploration of the first letter to the Corinthians.
- Continue to make connections between the life and message of Paul and your own life and faith.

Biblical Text (*1 Corinthians 13*)

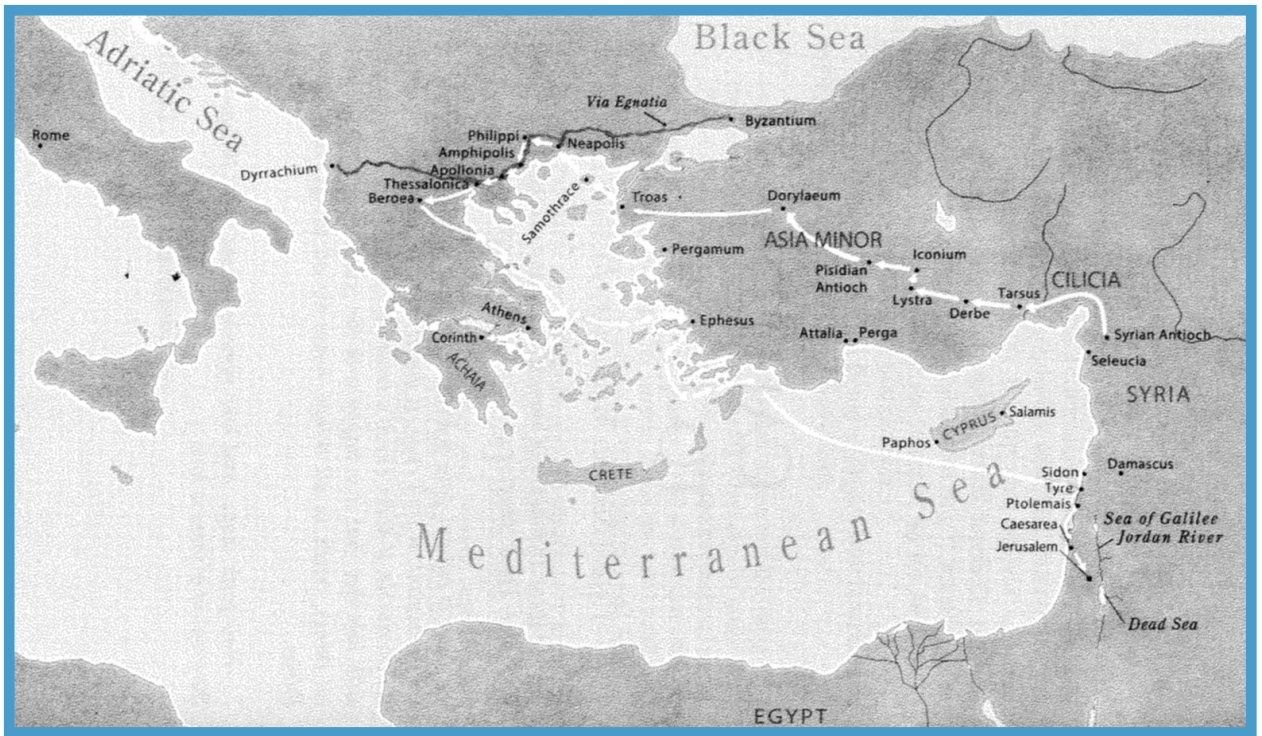
"If I speak in tongues of human beings and of angels but I don't have love, I'm a clanging gong or a clashing cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and I know all the mysteries and everything else, and if I have such complete faith that I can move mountains but I don't have love, I'm nothing. If I give away everything that I have and hand over my own body to feel good about what I've done but I don't have love, I receive no benefit whatsoever. Love is patient, love is kind, it isn't jealous, it doesn't brag, it isn't arrogant, it isn't rude, it doesn't seek its own advantage, it isn't irritable, it doesn't keep a record of complaints, it isn't happy with injustice, but it is happy with the truth. Love puts up with all things, trusts in all things, hopes for all things, endures all things. Love never fails. . . . Now faith, hope, and love remain— these three things— and the greatest of these is love."

Video Review

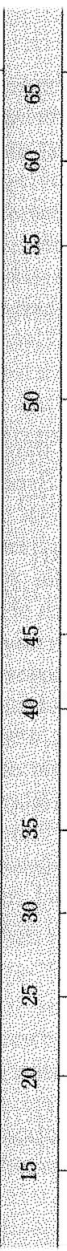
- What approach did Paul take when he preached to the Athenians? Why? What does it teach us about sharing our faith with diverse groups?
- What were some of the issues that Paul preached about in Corinth? Why?
- What kind of city was Corinth? Why was sexual immorality more common there, and how did Paul try to counter it?
- What does Adam Hamilton say we can learn about political disagreements by observing the Corinthians and what Paul told them?

Outline

- Thessalonica and Berea
- Athens
- Corinth
- Letters to the Corinthians
- Learning from Paul's Life



A.D. 67 Paul's Death



5 B.C. - A.D. 10 Paul is Born (est.)

- A.D. 52 Paul returns to Syrian Antioch
- A.D. 50-51 To Galatia, Macedonia, Achaia
- A.D. 50 Paul and Silvanus and Timothy
- A.D. 50 Jerusalem Council
- A.D. 50 Conflicts over circumcision
- A.D. 49-50 Paul writes Galatians?
- A.D. 49-50 Paul and Barnabas return to Syrian Antioch
- A.D. 49 Paul and Barnabas begin "first" missionary journey
- A.D. 48 Paul and Barnabas to Jerusalem
- A.D. 47 Barnabas to Syrian Antioch; with Paul at Tarsus
- A.D. 38-48 Paul in Tarsus and region (est.)
- A.D. 38 Paul meets Peter and James in Jerusalem
- A.D. 35-38 Paul in Arabia, then Damascus
- A.D. 35 Paul is converted on road to Damascus (est.)
- A.D. 32 Paul arrests Jesus followers in Palestine (est.)
- A.D. 16-22 Paul begins study in Jerusalem (est.)
- 5 B.C.-A.D. 10 Paul is born (est.)